

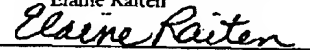
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**REPLY**

This Reply is responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 8, 2005. A Request for Continued Examination, together with the requisite fee, are filed herewith. No additional fee is thought to be necessary. However, if any fee is required for entry of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account 06-0029 and is requested to notify us of the same. This Reply includes the following:

- **Amendments to the Claim:** as reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** beginning on page 7 of this paper.